

Levi

from Canada

Levi's name is pronounced *Lee-vi*.

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Levi lives in Canada, in a remote town called Iqaluit. Levi is *Inuk* (Inuit). The Inuit are one of the indigenous peoples of northern Canada.



IQALUIT

The town of Iqaluit (above) is on the coast of Baffin Island, which lies in the Arctic Ocean. Iqaluit has snow from October until May. In winter, the sun rises above the horizon for just two hours a day.



HIGHER THAN THE SNOW

Levi's house (above) is made of wood. Like all of the houses in the town, it is built on stilts to keep it above the deep winter snow. What Levi likes best about his home is the television.

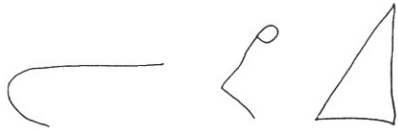


"I would love to visit Disneyland. It must be such fun there."

Levi's specially insulated boots keep his feet warm in the freezing winter temperatures.

LEVI'S FAMILY

Levi's father is a carpenter, and his mother, Joamie, works for the government. Levi has a brother, Kipanik, who is twelve years old, and two sisters, Naiomi and Jackie, who are six and three years old. In winter, Levi's father goes hunting for caribou. He rides on a snowmobile and attaches a trailer to the back for carrying the caribou home.

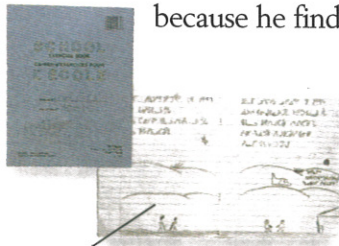


"This is how I write my name in *Inuktitut*, our Inuit language. My father's name is Levi, too, so I am called Levi Junior. But most people call me 'June.' The thing that I like doing best is playing ice hockey. I play for a team called The Atoms. I want to be an ice hockey player when I grow up."

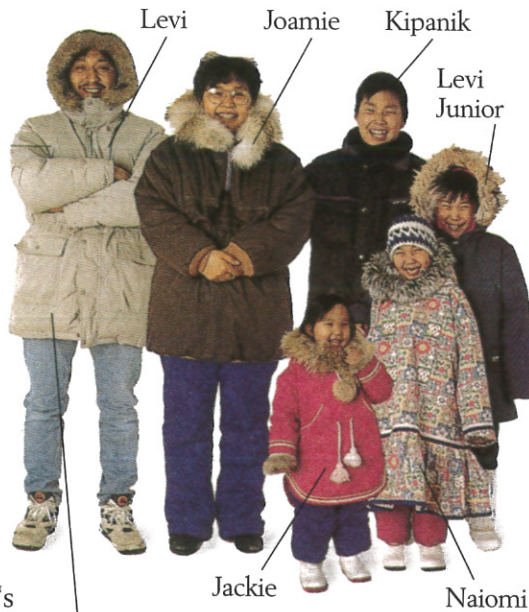


LEVI'S CLASSES

At school (above) Levi learns math, computing, reading, and *Inuktitut*. He speaks *Inuktitut* at school and at home, and he understands English, too. Levi's favorite class is math because he finds it easy.



This is Levi's school notebook. The writing is in *Inuktitut*.



Levi's parents are wearing traditional Inuit jackets called parkas.

Levi's ice hockey figure is supposed to look like a famous player named Brett Hull.



"These are my ice hockey skates. I play forward, and I wear a black team uniform."



Levi's toy cars

Caribou stew



CARIBOU AND KETCHUP

Levi often has caribou for supper. He likes to eat it with tomato ketchup. Levi's favorite food is French fries.